ES202 Final Exam Study Guide (Winter 2021)

(updated Winter 2021)

Exam Logistics: The midterm exam will occur on Wednesday March 17, 2021, worth a total of 120 points, 1 point per question x 120 questions. Exam question styles will include multiple choice, true/false, completion, short list, short definition, lab-style problems, essay / sketching / drawing, map calculations / identification, identification of surface landforms from images. The exam will focus on new material from mid-term, but with basic fundamental questions related to theme concepts covered early in the class. The online exam will be available as a link at the top of the General Section of the ES202 Lecture Class Moodle page, between 8 AM and 11 PM on exam day. Once a student begins the exam, it will be timed for 2 hours. You may begin the exam at any time between 8 AM and 11 PM, but make sure that once you start it, you have enough time before the 11 PM cut-off availability to complete the exam. The exam questions will be submitted only once, with no opportunities for resubmissions. The Professor will be manually grading your exams and reviewing your answers, in addition to the automated Moodle grading tools; typos and misspelled words in short answer will be evaluated for correctness in content. Additional testing accommodations are possible by prior arrangement with the professor.

Recommended Study Techniques

- 1) go over pre-lab questions / study them
- 2) review the "How to Study" sheet handed out at beginning of term
- 3) use the concepts below as a guide to help you focus on your notes
- 4) memorize terms and concepts
- 5) go back over the labs and make sure you can do the tricks / skills
- 6) review some of the important figures in your lab manual and text
- 7) go to the lab and look at the lab answer keys, and study the physical models / displays.
- 8) review the techniques for working with maps / air photos
- 9) Go over and study the Moodle practice quiz questions and Video Review Questions

CLASS NOTE KEY WORDS <i>Topo Map Review</i> https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/topomaps. pdf topographic maps north arrow magnetic declination map scale fractional scale graphical scale longitude latitude township-range-section equator prime meridian parallels angular measurement 7.5 min quadrangle contour interval	air photos stereovision <i>Landscape Analysis</i> https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/landscape _analysis.pdf Four Criteria: Landform Material Age Process Bedrock vs. regolith Wind-water-ice-gravity Upland vs. Valley bottom Hillslope Active Channel Floodplain Terrace <i>Soil/Mass Wasting</i>	regolith colluvium alluvium drift lacustrine anthropogenic acolian clay mass wasting slope gradient angle of repose creep slide flow debris flow mud flow landslide debris slide solifluction
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Hydrologic Cycle

https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/hydro.pdf

hydrologic cycle precipitation evaporation advection convection infiltration evapotranspiration condensation vegetative interception runoff soil moisture ground water surface water rivers lakes oceans atmospheric moisture glaciers / ice budget biologic water

Rivers

https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/rivers.pdf Rivers / fluvial stream gradient channel floodplain oxbow lake meandering levees cutoff cutbank floodplain terrace stream gradient bedload suspended load dissolved load braided straight normal discharge flood discharge capacity vs. competence dendritic trellis radial alluvial fans deltas base level

watershed drainage divide

Groundwater / Karst https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/gwkrst.pd

Groundwater connate water meteoric water juvenile water porosity permeability **Porosity Types** intergranular porosity Fracture porosity solution porosity vesicular porosity Basics of Darcy's Law permeable / impermeable Zone of Aeration Vadose Zone Zone of Saturation Capillary Zone Water Table Groundwater Contours Water Table Gradient Cone of Depression Hydraulic Gradient well confined aquifer unconfined aquifer spring / seep perched aquifer aquitard / aquiclude potentiometric surface artesian aquifer free-flowing artesian aquifer groundwater contamination upgradient / downgradient groundwater subsidence karst dissolution limestone evaporites solution depressions caves / caverns sink holes sinking streams karst springs karst collapse

fracture-control of caverns

solution sinkholes collapse sinkholes karst lakes / sink hole lakes swallow holes caves cave deposits stalactites stalagmites

Glaciers

https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/glacier.pd

glaciers snowfields snow-firn-ice global ice budget alpine glaciers continental glaciers cirque glaciers piedmont glaciers ice sheets ice shelf temperate glacier polar glacier basal slip internal ice flow crevasse / fracture transverse crevasse longitudinal crevasse glacial surging snow line zone of accumulation zone of ablation ice advance ice retreat static equilibrium glacial erosion plucking abrasion rock flour glacial striations u-shape valleys v-shape vallevs hanging valleys paternoster lakes cirque tarn fjords aretes

horn col roche moutonee glacial pavement drift till outwash sorted / stratified unsorted / unstratified moraine lateral moraine medial moraine end moraine terminal moraine recessional moraine ground moraine glacial erratics outwash plain kettles drumlins eskers kames

Climate Change

glacial climate interglacial climate climate change Pleistocene glaciation Oxygen Isotope record Laurentide Ice Sheet Glacial / Pluvial Lakes Milankovitch Theory

Deserts

https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/desert.pdf arid climate desert semi-arid polar deserts sub-tropical deserts orographic / rain shadow effect Playa lakes salt flats pluvial lakes differential erosion butte mesa Inselbergs pediments badlands

piedmont mountain front alluvial fan bajada bolson closed drainage arroyo aeolian deflation blow outs ventifacts desert pavement desert varnish sand dune erg dune morphology wind direction barchan dune parabolic dune transverse dune longitudinal dune loess desertification

Coasts

https://people.wou.edu/~taylors/g202/coast.pdf Ocean Coast Marginal Marine salinity density ocean convection tidal bulge spring tide neap tides tidal range daily tidal evele ocean currents waves storm suge hurricane orbital waves wave crest wave trough wave height tsunami wave length wave velocity wave base surf zone

breaker swash longshore current rip currents beach foreshore wave-cut platform wave-cut terrace sand beach vs. rock coast longshore drift spit baymouth bar tombolo tied island jetties groins breakwater erosional headlands sea cliffs sea stacks sea arches barrier islands back barrier lagoon tidal inlet delta submergent emergent fjords estuaries coastal uplift coastal subsidence sea level rise sea level fall reefs

Questions for Thought

Do you know how to deal with maps?... profiles, map reading, directions, topography, contour lines, elevations? Can you calculate a stream gradient? I.D. a channel pattern and drainage pattern.

What about simple unit conversions from English to Metric?

Map Scale and Distance Calculations: graphical scale, verbal scale, fractional scale.

What's the difference between a floodplain and a terrace?

What are the diagnostic landscape features associated with river environments? Can you identify them on a block diagram by name?

What are drainage divides and how are watersheds defined?

What are the hazards associated with mass wasting and rivers?

Can you draw, label, and discuss the hydrologic cycle in detail?

Draw a matrix summary of the landslide classification system based on material and process.

Can you draw / sketch showing the difference between an unconfined aquifer and a confined aquifer.

Can you label a block diagram showing the primary features of karst-cave-limestone landscapes.

How do glaciers and glacial ice form?

Why do glaciers flow?

How does the global ice budget relate to sea level / vice versa? How does it relate to climate?

What are the physical differences between a continental and alpine glacier?

What are the erosional and depositional effects of glaciation at the earth's surface?

How does a fluvial-dominated landscape compare to a glacial-dominated landscape?

What are the diagnostic landforms associated with alpine glaciers vs. continental glaciers? Can you identify them on a block diagram by name?

How has glaciation affected North America over the past 2 million years?

How are glaciations related to sea level fluctuations?

What are the precipitation / vegetative characteristics of a "desert"? Are all deserts hot?

How are landforms in a desert different from humid climates and why?

How do ocean tides form?

What drives ocean circulation / currents?

How do ocean waves form? What is their morphology and physics?

What coastal landforms are associated with emergent coasts? with submergent coasts?

What are the primary hazards associated with coastal areas... particularly coastal areas in western Oregon? How do rocky shorelines erode / evolve over time?

Can you identify the diagnostic landforms associated with erosion and deposition in coastal areas? Can you label and identify them on a block diagram?

What are the basic beach transportation processes?

2. Lab Skills to Work On

Locate positions on a map? I.D. contour interval, hills, valleys, etc? Calculate stream gradient? recognize steep vs. gentle topography? Determine azimuth compass bearings between two points? Location by longitude and latitue Identify basic river and hillslope features on a topographic map: e.g. floodplain, channel, oxbow, terrace, braided river, meandering river, hillslope, alluvial fan, ridge top, valley bottom Drawing contour lines in general (interpoloating points of constant elevation). Calculating gradients from maps.

Calculating groundwater gradients.

Measuring distances, directions, and scales on a topographic map.

Reading contour lines / elevations from a topographic map.

Determining gradients from a topographic map (slope gradients, stream gradients).

Calculating basic rates of process (change in process per unit time: e.g. rate of delta growth, rate of coastal erosion, rate of uplift, etc.)

Interpreting aerial photographs / seeing in stereoscopic vision.

Identifying actual landforms from slides / photos.

Identifying landforms and geomorphic processes on topographic maps (e.g. glacial forms, karst forms, river forms, desert forms, etc.).

Determining the direction of ice flow from drumlins, or from terminal / end moraine patterns.

Can you label and identify landforms from different climates on a block model?

Can you identify landforms from slides / photographs?